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FOR AMBASSADOR ARMSTRONG

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: OVIP (KISSINGER, HENRY A.)

SUBJECT: SECVISIT LONDON AND MANCHESTER

1. FOLLOWING IS THE TEXT OF MESSAGE DELIVERED TO SECRETARY
SEPTEMBER 21 IN KINSHASA BY BRITISH CHARGE'.

BEGIN TEXT:

PLEASE TELL DR. KISSINGER THAT THE PRIME MINISTER SHARES HIS
HOPE THAT A MEETING CAN SOMEHOW BE ARRANGED THIS WEEK. THE PRIME
MINISTER LEAVES LONDON FOR BLACKPOOL AT 7:00 A.M. ON 24
SEPTEMBER. NEITHER THE TIME OF HIS DEPARTURE NOR THE ENGAGEMENT
ITSELF, WHICH IS AN ESSENTIAL PRELIMINARY TO THE LABOUR PARTY

CONFERENCE, CAN BE CHANGED. THE PRIME MINISTER IS, HOWEVER,
WILLING TO DRIVE IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE BLACKPOOL ENGAGEMENT TO
MANCHESTER AIRPORT, AND COULD BE THERE FOR A MEETING SOON AFTER
1:00 P.M., IF DR. KISSINGER COULD STOP THERE ON HIS WAY BACK TO
THE UNITED STATES FROM LONDON. PLEASE ASK DR. KISSINGER TO LET
US KNOW AS SOON AS POSSIBLE IF SUCH A MEETING WOULD BE FEASIBLE
FOR HIM. END TEXT.

2. PLEASE TELL 10 DOWNING STREET SECRETARY APPRECIATES PRIME
MINISTER'S PREDICAMENT, COULD PROBABLY BE IN MANCHESTER BY 1:00
P.M., BUT WOULD HAVE TO LEAVE SHORTLY AFTER 2:00 P.M. HE,
UNFORTUNATELY, WILL NOT BE ABLE TO CONFIRM THIS PLAN TO THE
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BRITISH UNTIL TOMORROW (SEPTEMBER 22) NIGHT. WE WILL BE BACK IN

TOUCH AS SOON AS FIRM DECISION IS MADE.
KISSINGER

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